

## Questions for Reflection:

1. Do I focus on the structure and ritual of my faith and neglect the power of God?
2. In what ways am I tempted to grow the Kingdom of God through worldly power rather than humble service?
3. Do I focus on “doing Church,” but neglect people?

## Questions for Discussion:

1. What stood out to you about the message today?
2. Which is the greater temptation for you, to have the power of God without the Church or the Church without the power of God?
3. In what ways can the Church structures and practices hinder the work of God?
4. How can the church provide shelter and nourishment for the world?

## Coming Up:

**April 25-May 1:** Luke 14:15-24

**May 2-8:** Luke 15

**May 9-15:** Luke 16:1-15



# THE GOOD NEWS ACCORDING TO LUKE



## Parables of Kingdom Growth

### We misunderstand parables when:

- We think they all have a \_\_\_\_\_ meaning.  
(They're often \_\_\_\_\_.)
- We think they communicate good \_\_\_\_\_ or common \_\_\_\_\_.  
(They're often pointed and \_\_\_\_\_!)

Parables were a common teaching method by \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus' day.

Parables appeal to our \_\_\_\_\_ (motivation) and spark our \_\_\_\_\_ (creativity).

Parables are always about the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

Parables are always related to what is happening in the \_\_\_\_\_.

### **The Situation: Luke 13:10-17**

The synagogue is the equivalent of the Christian \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus was the guest \_\_\_\_\_.

The woman's healing \_\_\_\_\_ the service.

The healing messed up the synagogue leaders \_\_\_\_\_.  
For Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_ WAS the ministry!

The \_\_\_\_\_ is the perfect day to set the woman free!

### **Luke 13:18-21 The Parables**

**1. The Kingdom of God works from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.**

Two common errors:

- To try to have the \_\_\_\_\_ of God without the Church.
- To try to have the \_\_\_\_\_ without the power of God.

We need more than a \_\_\_\_\_ faith in God.

The \_\_\_\_\_ exist to serve people.

**2. The Kingdom starts small and grows through \_\_\_\_\_.**

**3. The \_\_\_\_\_ provides shelter and nourishment for the world.**

